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### The Quill and Sword

In May 1890, a sword and pen crossed, wreathed, and embroidered in silver was adopted for wear by officers of the Army Judge Advocate General's Department. In 1899, the color was changed to gold. The pen represents the recording of trial testimony; the sword symbolizes the military character of the Corps; the wreath is symbolic of honor. The enlisted branch of service insignia was authorized for wear on 4 August 1967.



## TJAG FORUM

### Welcome to *The Quill and Sword*

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the first edition of *The Quill and Sword*, the JAG Corps' new electronic newsletter. *The Quill and Sword* is the latest component of the new JAG Corps Communications Initiative (JCCI)--an ongoing effort intended to provide Soldiers, civilians, and family members timely information on topics of interest to the Corps.

Now more than ever it is imperative that the JAG Corps have a forum like this one, devoted to the widespread dissemination of key information. With our Army in the midst of transformation and our forces committed worldwide to the Global

War on Terrorism, today's JAG Corps is decisively engaged on a variety of fronts. We are transforming our force structure, writing and publishing doctrine and adjusting our training, education, and assignment processes accordingly. We are performing these tasks and a litany of other critical missions while continuing to provide world-class legal support to Commanders, Soldiers, and family members.

Given the Corps' focus in these divergent areas, future issues of the *Quill and Sword* will feature information on Army transformation and force structure changes, training and doctrine updates, assignment news, and lesson learned from our Judge Advocates operating in the field. Just as importantly, we are all aware that there are countless "good news" stories taking place throughout the Corps every day. As such, I hope we can use this forum to share some of those good news stories with the rest of the world.

To that end, I solicit your input for future issues of this newsletter. If you know of an office, a unit, an individual or group of individu-

als (including family members) who deserve special recognition, please forward that information to [ALCS-CD@HQDA.ARMY.MIL](mailto:ALCS-CD@HQDA.ARMY.MIL).

As always, I offer you my sincere thanks for your dedication and selfless service. Your contributions to the Army and the nation are truly immeasurable. As we meet the challenges of this critical time, I am confident the JAG Corps will continue to ensure the principles of good order, discipline, justice, honesty, integrity, fairness, and support to Soldiers and families live on as a part of the proud traditions of the US Army.

THOMAS J. ROMIG  
MG, USA

The Judge Advocate General

### ATTENTION READERS:

If you have ideas or information of interest to the JAG Corps, please consider writing an article for *The Quill and Sword*.

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## From the Desk of the Chief Warrant Officer of the Corps

It is my goal to make this newsletter a platform to share information on important issues concerning Legal Administrators (LAs). To that end, I look forward to receiving input from you for future issues of the *Quill and Sword*.

We started this fiscal year with a brand new LA job description published in DA Pamphlet 611-21. That pamphlet now better describes the role of the LA as a deployable force multiplier. Input for DA Pam 611-21 was based on many of the lessons learned during operations in Iraq and Afghanistan.

On a personal note, I recently had the privilege of visiting JAG Soldiers in Iraq. Not only are they performing the normal duties associated with working in a legal office, but many perform other new and unique duties. For example, a team

including CW2 James Mills from the Multi-National Force-Iraq, OSJA, participated in the physical repatriation of Mujahedeen e-Khalq (MeK) from Iraq to Iran. Under the cover of darkness, the team traveled in a convoy with over 125 Iranians to an undisclosed location on the Iranian border and processed them for release to Iranian officials. Throughout my travels, I was truly awed by the dedication of our deployed Soldiers, all of whom diligently perform their duties in dangerous and harsh conditions.

On the home front, The Judge Advocate General's Legal Center and School (TJAGLCS) will have a CW5 authorization in FY07. This innovation is thanks in large part to the work of CW3 Tomeucci, Plans Officer at PP&TO. The CW5 allocations in the U.S. Army Reserve are also moving to where the CW5s are actually located,

thereby minimizing the distance our Warrant Officers must travel for training.

Changes in the Reserve and National Guard as they transform into a modular force will affect the JAGC and the LA MOS. CW2 Jim Steddum of TJAGLCS is working many of those issues, while CW2 Damon Collier of the Fort Sam Houston OSJA has been the driving force in creating a new training opportunity for RC/NG LAs, by working to secure their participation in the newly created Warrant Officer Judge Advocate Triennial Training course, to be held this summer in San Antonio, Texas. Speaking of Reserve and National Guard LAs, any paralegal NCO who wants to become a Legal Administrator in the USAR or ARNG can receive a \$6000 bonus! Soldiers in the grades of E-4 through E-7 should see their servicing LA for details.



**CW4 Carol Hauck**  
Chief Warrant Officer  
of the JAG Corps

Interested in becoming an active duty JAGC Warrant Officer? Contact any Legal Administrator or log on to <http://www.usarec.army.mil/hq/warrant/prerequ/WO270A.html>

## From the Desk of the Regimental Sergeant Major



**SGM Michael W. Glaze**  
Regimental  
Sergeant Major  
of the JAG Corps

### *Did you know...*

SGM Glaze is the 10th Regimental Sergeant Major of the JAG Corps.

I would like to begin my first message in *The Quill and Sword* by thanking our active and reserve paralegals, both Soldiers and non-commissioned officers, for your outstanding performance and devotion to duty. Whether you are deployed around the globe or serving our Nation on home soil, your contribution to our Army is immeasurable, and the sacrifices of you and your families are understood and appreciated.

In future publications of this newsletter I will update you on enlisted issues affecting the JAG Corps, including training and doctrine developments, force structure and transformation issues, lessons learned from the field,

assignment news, and other important information affecting our total force.

A major change in paralegal qualifications was approved on 10 March 2005. Effective 1 June 2005, all initial entry trainees enlisting for the MOS 27D, paralegal specialist, will be required to possess (or be eligible for) a SECRET clearance and must be a citizen of the United States. We recognized, as early as the initial deployment of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Division, that those paralegals who lacked this important qualification reduced their deployable status. This qualification update will ensure that our paralegals, both now and in the future, are more ready for deployment

directly after graduation from AIT. We also expect this will reduce the security clearance backlog currently experienced by SJA offices worldwide.

Paralegal soldiers who entered the Army before 1 June 2005, have until 1 October 2008, to obtain the proper clearance and US citizenship, or face reclassification, or possibly separation from the service.

Finally, let me echo the comments of Major General Romig, The Judge Advocate General, and tell you that I am confident as we move forward and confront the many challenges ahead, our paralegal soldiers will continue to excel and lead from the front.



## Army Remembers Women JAG Pioneers with Exhibit

FORT LEE, Va. (Army News Service, Feb. 1, 2005) -- With the snip of a ribbon, Maj. Gen. Thomas J. Romig, the U.S. Army Judge Advocate General, and Brig. Gen. Coral Pietsch, the first and only female general officer in the JAG Corps, opened the "Women Pioneers in the JAG Corps" exhibit at the U.S. Army Women's Museum.

"I am very proud to participate in the opening of this exhibit honoring the history of the 'women pioneers' of the Judge Advocate General's Corps," Romig said at the Jan. 19 ceremony. "The journey of women in our Corps began in May 1944, in the midst of World War II."

"Today, 61 years later, the Army again finds itself at war. This time, however, over 29 percent of the members of the JAG Corps are women—and this number continues to grow," said Romig, who went on to note that currently the JAG Corps has one of the highest percentages of women of any branch in the U.S. Army.

The new exhibit will feature images, documents, and memorabilia highlighting female "firsts" in the U.S. Army JAG Corps. The exhibit also includes a highlight on the career of Chief Warrant Officer-5 Sharon Swartworth.

Swartworth, the first female Chief Warrant Officer-Five and the first female Regimental Warrant Officer of the Judge Advocate General's Corps was killed in November 2003 when the Blackhawk helicopter she was riding in was shot down near Tikrit, Iraq.

"Sharon Swartworth is one of my personal heroes," remarked Romig who witnessed Swartworth's helicopter get shot down while flying in formation with his helicopter to visit outlying troop locations in Iraq. Romig noted that "others blazed a trail" by performing key jobs all over the JAG Corps such as installation, Corps and Division Staff Judge Advocates.

Recognizing the great contributions of other women in the JAG Corps, Romig continued, "The women pioneers of the JAG Corps are not limited to those featured in the exhibit. They include the Soldiers manning tactical operation centers in Iraq and Afghanistan, performing trial and defense counsel duties along the demilitarized zone in Korea, and those advising commanders all throughout the Army," Romig said.

"Without the tremendous contributions of our women Soldiers, the JAG Corps and the Army simply could not function today,"

said Romig. Pietsch spoke before the ribbon cutting ceremony on behalf of the women represented in the new exhibit. Pietsch, herself, is highlighted for being the first female JAG general officer and the first female Asian-American general officer. I am truly honored to be here representing women all throughout the U.S. Army," said Pietsch. Pietsch remarked, "In the thirty years since I have been a commissioned officer, I have witnessed the many opportunities that the Corps and the Army has to offer, not just to me, but all women who serve."

"It provides us an opportunity to serve in the largest law firm in the world and to learn from many tremendous leaders," she said. "We must always do what we can, no matter where we are, for together we will continue to make our Army and our world a better place when we leave it," said Pietsch. "Our nation continues to be the freest and richest nation on earth because men, and women, have gone into harm's way and continue to do so to protect our way of life." On behalf of all the honorees, we are honored and humbled to have our stories told in the same halls with the stories of so many other women pioneers who have forged a path for women in the Army," she said.

By Travis Edwards  
February 1, 2005



Brig. Gen. Pietsch, the first female general officer in the Judge Advocate General's Corps and first female Asian-American general officer in the Army at a Women's Museum exhibit, "Women Pioneers in the JAG Corps."

### Did you know....

LTC Patricia Ham— Chair of the TJAGLCS Criminal Law Department— was the first female JAG Officer to deploy to Operation Desert Storm.



The U.S. Army Women's Museum (pictured above) moved into a new building at Fort Lee, Va., in 2001, but traces its lineage to the Women's Army Corps (WAC) Museum at Fort McClellan, Ala., founded in 1955.

## FEATURED SJA OFFICE

### OSJA, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) — Fort Campbell, KY

127 Forrest Road  
Fort Campbell, KY 42223



<http://www.campbell.army.mil/OSJA/OSJAHome.htm>

SJA: COL Rich Whitaker

DSJA: LTC Paul Wilson

Legal Administrator: CW3 Craig Sumner

Chief Paralegal NCO: MSG Thomas Curry

#### SCREAMING EAGLE LEGAL SUPPORT

The Fort Campbell SJA office is responsible for the delivery of legal services to the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) and Fort Campbell—the Army's premier power projection platform comprising 105,000 acres, with one of the heaviest training densities of any Army installation. The client population includes 27,000 soldiers, 40,000 family members, and 110,000 retirees.

Fort Campbell has long been the home to the famed 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), the Army's only Air Assault Division. The 101st is currently made up of four Infantry Brigade Combat Teams (BCTs), one Sustainment Brigade, two Aviation Brigades, and several separate commands. Fort Campbell is also home to two elite Special Operations units, the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment and the 5th Special Forces Group. Both of these units are at the forefront in terms of their deployability; indeed, they must be ready to move out in minimal time. Among its many features, Fort Campbell has the world's largest Army airfield, and it is the home for nearly half of all FORSCOM aircraft.



COL Richard Whitaker speaks at the recent dedication of the SGT Brett Christian Tax Center at Fort Campbell, KY.

Upon return from Iraq in February, 2004 the Division embraced transformation and began preparing to reset and reconstitute for its next (now looming) rendezvous with destiny. Transformation has not only substantially changed how the Division is organized and fights, but also brought with it new challenges for the OSJA. Whereas the personnel center of gravity of any divisional OSJA was once the office itself, this is no longer the case. Currently, the 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division (Air Assault) has more judge advocates assigned to its supporting brigades than to the Divisional Office. Brigade Judge Advocates, their Operational Law JAs, and the supporting staff of Paralegal NCOs now run day to day operations for each brigade subordinate to the Division. Judge advocates at these brigades are senior rated by the brigade commander, have offices

within the brigades, and are assigned to the brigades. While this has always been true for our paralegals, it is a relatively new phenomenon for the judge advocates. With the relative increase in judge advocate strength at the brigade level, we continue to study new and innovative ways to make the BJA – OSJA partnership grow. This partnership promises to provide many lasting opportunities to better serve our clients at both the brigade and division level.

#### THE NEXT RENDEZVOUS WITH DESTINY

The Screaming Eagles are sharpening their talons for their next rendezvous with destiny. Due to return to Iraq in the near future, units at Fort Campbell have been busy participating in Joint Readiness Training Center (JRTC) rotations and other key deployment preparations. While much of the preparation focuses on the OSJA's ability to close with and destroy all legal issues on the battlefield, the OSJA's soldiers are quite aware that they are always Soldiers first.

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## FEATURED SJA OFFICE

### OSJA, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) — Fort Campbell, KY

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One example of the OSJA's combat preparations was a weeklong Convoy Live Fire Exercise Training Event which took place from 28 January 2005 to 4 February 2005. The training was conducted with the HHC, 501<sup>st</sup> Special Troops Battalion. The exercise took place at Fort Campbell's Range 46 located in the post's so-called "back 40."

During the exercise, OSJA Screaming Eagle Troopers were trained on tactical convoy operations and certified for live fire execution. Combat tasks associated with the conduct of tactical convoy movements included dry, blank, and live fire negotiation of five different situations that replicate scenarios which are routinely encountered during a deployment to Iraq. The live fire range was

configured for a 7 kilometer tactical movement in which a 4 vehicle convoy (3 HMMWVs and an LMTV) encountered situations that even included a simulated hospital with a red crescent icon, burned-out abandoned vehicles that blocked egress routes, children purchasing ice cream from a market concessionaire, and a variety of pyrotechnic devices, all of which added to the training's realism.

The train-up to the exercise's culminating live fire event entailed M-68 Scope Training/Familiarization and Combat Convoy Simulator Training, which simulates in cyberspace an insurgent-infected urban landscape being negotiated by a HMMWV mounted with a 50 Caliber Machine Gun. It also involved M4/9/16 Range Qualification and NCO/Leader Warrior

Tasks and Battle Drills.

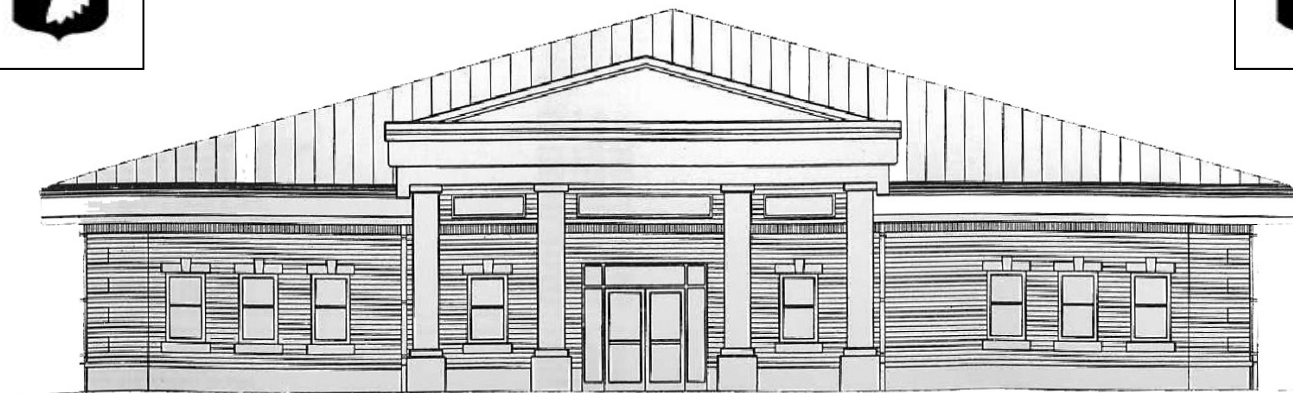
CPT Kaiesha Wright of the 101<sup>st</sup> OSJA UEx Operational Law Team was the Team Leader for OSJA's aptly named, "Team Hammer." Key members were CPT Mullee, CPT Hanke, CPT Gross, CPT Pickands, CPT Mackey, SGT Barten, SGT Hubbard, SPC Arias, SGT Searcy, SSG Watts and SGT Cogdill.



Screaming Eagle OSJA soldiers participate in Convoy Live Fire Training. Left to right are: CPT Joseph Mackey, SGT Terrence Hubbard, and SGT April Cogdill.



Artist's rendition of the proposed Fort Campbell Judicial Center



The 101st OSJA recently completed the final design for the new Fort Campbell Judicial Center which will feature a courtroom more than twice the size of the current court, abundant office space, a separate hearing room, a library, and two separate witness waiting areas, all contained within what will be the Army's largest installation judicial facility. Construction on the project is due to begin in Fall, 2005.



# GRADUATE COURSE ASSIGNMENTS



**53d Graduate Course at the U.S. Supreme Court Swearing-In Ceremony on 7 March 2005**



The 53rd JA Officer Graduate Course recently received assignments. A by-name list of pending assignments and duty stations for active component officers is listed below.



NAME	ASSIGNMENT	LOCATION	NAME	ASSIGNMENT	LOCATION
CPT Brian Baldrate	Litigation Attorney (Torts)	Arlington, VA	MAJ Nicholas Lancaster	DSJA, 19th TSC	Taegu, Korea
MAJ Jeremy Ball	Professor, Ad/Civil Law	Charlottesville, VA	MAJ Julie Long	OIC, Stuttgart (21st TSC)	Stuttgart, Germany
MAJ Mary Card	Brigade JA, 2 BCT, 4th ID	Fort Hood, TX	MAJ Robert L. Manley III	OIC, Vilseck (1ID)	Vilseck, Germany
MAJ Eric Carpenter	Senior Defense Counsel	Fort Bragg, NC	MAJ Andras Marton	Chief, Military Justice	Fort Bliss, TX
MAJ Italia Carson	Chief, Ad Law	Fort Sill, OK	CPT-P Matthew McDonald	Chief, Military Justice	Fort Benning, GA
MAJ Dana Chase	Ad Law Attorney, OTJAG	Rosslyn, VA	MAJ Sean McGarry	Sr. O/C, NTC	Fort Irwin, CA
MAJ Jonathan Cheney	Chief, Military Justice	Fort L. Wood, MO	MAJ Jeffrey Miller	Senior Defense Counsel	Fort Drum, NY
MAJ Eva Clements	Senior Defense Counsel	Fort Campbell, KY	MAJ Charles Ormsby, Jr.	Chief, Ad Law	Fort Drum, NY
MAJ John Cook	Ad Law Attorney, OTJAG	Rosslyn, VA	MAJ Kelli Petersen	OIC, Schweinfurt (1ID)	Schweinfurt, Germany
MAJ Michael Devine	Professor, K/Fiscal Law	Charlottesville, VA	MAJ John Rawcliffe	Professor, Int'l/OPLAW	Charlottesville, VA
MAJ Tami Dillahun	Senior Defense Counsel	Camp Casey, Korea	MAJ Travis Rogers	Brigade JA, 1 BCT, 101st	Fort Campbell, KY
MAJ Richard Dimeglio	Brigade JA, 2 BCT, 25ID	Fort Richardson, AK	MAJ Billy Ruhling II	Br. Chief, Def. App. Div.	Arlington, VA
MAJ Heather Fagan	Dep Chief, MCD (OJA)	Heidelberg, Germany	MAJ Carlos Santiago	Doctrine Developer, LCS	Charlottesville, VA
MAJ Daniel Froehlich	Senior Defense Counsel	Wiesbaden, Germany	MAJ Jennifer Santiago	Professor, K/Fiscal Law	Charlottesville, VA
MAJ Patrick Gary	Litigation Attorney	Arlington, VA	MAJ Daniel Saumer	Group JA, 5th SFG	Fort Campbell, KY
MAJ Deon Green	Chief, Military Justice, 2ID	Camp Casey, Korea	CPT Alyssa Schwenk	Brigade JA, 3 BCT, 4th ID	Fort Carson, CO
MAJ Stephen Harms	Brigade JA, 3 BCT, 101st	Fort Campbell, KY	MAJ Daniel Tanabe	O/C, BCTP	Fort Leavenworth, KS
MAJ James Harwood	Chief, MJ, 1st Cav	Fort Hood, TX	MAJ James Tripp	DSJA, LSAC	Yongsan, Korea
MAJ Brian Hughes	Ad Law Attorney, OTJAG	Rosslyn, VA	MAJ Christie Vaultx	Counsel, AAFES-Pacific	Okinawa, Japan
MAJ Russell Jackson	OIC, Friedberg (1AD)	Friedberg, Germany	CPT-P Mary Vergona	Chief, Military Justice (1AD)	Wiesbaden, Germany
MAJ Jayanth Jayaram	Litigation Attorney (CAD)	Arlington, VA	CPT-P Patrick Vergona	Chief, Ad Law (1AD)	Wiesbaden, Germany
MAJ Chs. Kirchmaier	CLAMO Intern	Charlottesville, VA	MAJ Mark Visger	OIC, Bamberg (1ID)	Bamberg, Germany
CPT John Kluge	Judge Advocate, 5th Army	Fort S. Houston, TX	MAJ Susana Watkins	OIC, Kitzingen (1ID)	Kitzingen, Germany
MAJ Maureen Kohn	Brigade JA, 2 BCT, 101st	Fort Campbell, KY	MAJ Martin White	Group JA, 1st SFG	Ft Lewis, WA
MAJ Elizabeth Kubala	Ad Law Attorney, OTJAG	Rosslyn, VA	MAJ Michael Wong	Litigation Attorney (CAD)	Arlington, VA



## Enlisted Paralegal Notes

# The JAGC Noncommissioned Officer Academy

# BE, KNOW, DO!

On 17 June 2004, the JAG Corps activated its NCO Academy (NCOA) at the Judge Advocate General's Legal Center and School (TJAGLCS) in Charlottesville, Virginia. This important event brings the JAG Corps one step closer to The Judge Advocate General's vision of one Regimental home for Judge Advocates, Warrant Officers, Paralegal NCOs, and JAGC Civilians.

Prior to the initial NCOA training class, members of the NCOA cadre and the TJAGLCS Training Development's Department worked hard to create course management plans, update standing operating procedures, revise course materials, coordinate training sites, and rehearse training procedures.

This meticulous planning and detailed preparation paid

huge dividends when the U.S. Army Sergeants Major Academy (USASMA) quality assurance team conducted their initial evaluation of the NCOA from 14 to 17 January 2005. During the inspection, the quality assurance team members were incredibly impressed by the NCOA's Small Group Leaders (SGLs) and with every other aspect of the NCOA and TJAGLCS.

At the conclusion of the inspection, the USASMA team determined that the NCOA not only met the applicable standards, but surpassed them in many areas. As a result, the NCOA was awarded full TRADOC accreditation and many of its products are now being used by the USASMA team as examples of high quality materials that every Army NCOA should strive to emulate.

In its first seven months of operation the NCOA has trained 23 senior NCOs and 59 junior NCOs during Basic and Advanced Noncommissioned officer courses (ANCOC and BNCOC). One item of note is that both ANCOC and BNCOC for JAG soldiers now include a challenging field training exercise (FTX) held at Fort Pickett, Virginia. The FTX serves as the culminating event for these courses and evaluates NCO leadership. A full day of the FTX is dedicated to urban combat training and improvised explosive device identification—two challenges our soldiers will face during current deployments.

For more about the NCOA see [www.jagcnet.army.mil/TJAGLCS](http://www.jagcnet.army.mil/TJAGLCS) and click on the NCO Academy link.

**Did you know...**

The JAG Corps NCO Academy is the first new Army NCO Academy to stand up in over 15 years.

**If you have enlisted paralegal news to share please email it to:**

**ALCS-CD@hqda.army.mil**



***"No one is more professional than I. I am a Noncommissioned Officer, a leader of soldiers. As a Noncommissioned Officer, I realize that I am a member of a time honored corps, which is known as "The Backbone of the Army". From The Creed of the Noncommissioned Officer.***



## Judge Advocate Officer Basic Course Profile



The 166th OBC, which graduated on 8 April 05, included Judge Advocates from a variety of backgrounds. A breakdown of the Law Schools attended by 166th JAOBC Officers is below. International students from several countries also attended the 166th JAOBC. A listing of their countries and other statistics on the 166th JAOBC are to the right.



**The 166th OBC was composed of 91 students representing the following 69 Law Schools**

### **Number of students: 91**

**AC: 80**

**USAR: 3**

**ARNG: 3**

**International: 5**

**Suriname: 1**

**Taiwan: 1**

**Hungary: 1**

**Japan: 2**

### **Gender:**

**Male: 65**

**Female: 26**

### **Prior Military Experience:**

**(US Only): 21**

### **Source of Commission:**

**Direct: 57**

**ROTC: 26**

**OCS: 3**

**USMA: 0**

2 - American Univ, Washington, DC  
 3 - Ave Maria, Ann Arbor, MI  
 1 - Baylor Univ, Waco, Texas  
 1 - Boston Univ, Boston, MA  
 1 - Brigham Young Univ, Provo, UT  
 1 - California West San Diego, CA  
 2 - Case Western Reserve Univ, OH  
 2 - Catholic Univ, Washington, DC  
 1 - Cleveland-Marshall, OH  
 1 - Dickinson, Carlisle, PA  
 2 - Drake Law School, Des Moines, IA  
 1 - Duke Law School, Durham, NC  
 2 - Duquesne Univ, Pittsburgh, PA  
 1 - Georgetown Univ, Washington, DC  
 1 - Hamline Univ, MN  
 1 - Indiana Univ, Bloomington, IN  
 1 - Mercer Law School, Macon, GA  
 1 - Michigan State, Lansing, MI  
 1 - New York Univ, New York, NY  
 1 - Northern Illinois Univ, DeKalb, IL  
 1 - Ohio Northern Univ, OH  
 1 - Ohio State Univ, Columbus, OH  
 1 - Oklahoma City Univ, OKC, OK

1 - Pace Law Sch., White Plains, NY  
 1 - Penn State Univ, Dickinson PA  
 1 - Pepperdine, Maibu, CA  
 1 - Queens College Law School, NY  
 1 - Roger Williams Univ, Bristol, RI  
 1 - Seton Hall, Newark, NJ  
 1 - South Texas, Houston, TX  
 1 - St. Louis Univ, MO  
 1 - St. Thomas Univ, Miami, FL  
 1 - Stanford Law School, CA  
 2 - Suffolk Univ, Boston, MA  
 2 - Syracuse Univ, Syracuse, NY  
 2 - Temple Univ, Philadelphia, PA  
 1 - Texas Southern Univ, Houston, TX  
 2 - Univ of Texas, Austin, TX  
 1 - Univ of Akron, Akron, OH  
 1 - Univ of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL  
 1 - James Rogers College of Law, AZ  
 1 - Univ of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR  
 1 - Univ of California, Hastings, CA  
 1 - Univ of Chicago Kent, Chicago, IL  
 2 - Univ of Dayton, Dayton, OH  
 1 - Univ of Denver, Denver, CO

1 - Univ of Hawaii, Honolulu, HI  
 1 - Univ of Illinois, IL  
 1 - Univ of Kansas, KS  
 6 - Univ of Maryland, Baltimore, MD  
 1 - Univ of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE  
 2 - Univ of Richmond, Richmond, VA  
 1 - Univ of San Diego, San Diego, CA  
 1 - Univ of South Carolina, Columbia SC  
 1 - Univ of South Dakota, Vermillion, SD  
 1 - Univ of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN  
 3 - Univ of the Pacific, Sacramento, CA  
 1 - Villanova, Villanova, PA  
 1 - Wake Forest Univ, Winston-Salem, NC  
 2 - Washburn Univ, Topeka, KS  
 1 - Washington Univ, St. Louis, MO  
 1 - Wayne State Univ, Detroit, MI  
 2 - Western NE College, Springfield, MA  
 1 - Widener Univ, Wilmington, DE  
 1 - Anton de Kom Univ, Paramaribo, Suriname  
 1 - National Def. Management College, Taipei  
 1 - Tokyo Univ, Sendai, Japan  
 1 - Univ of Law, Pecs, Hungary  
 1 - Waseda Univ, Japan



## TRAINING NOTES

### JAOBC Students Participate in Pre-Air Assault Training

The Judge Advocate Officer Basic Course (JAOBC) has undergone a number of significant changes in recent years. One notable innovation is a rigorous training program for Judge Advocates competing for Air Assault School slots after JAOBC.

The Pre-Air Assault training program is currently being conducted by CW2 Michael Walls, Executive Officer of the School Support Cadre. CW2 Walls, a graduate of the Army Air Assault School at Fort Campbell, Kentucky, designed the program to ensure Judge Advocates attending the Air Assault Course arrive mentally and physically ready for the challenge. CW2 Walls is assisted during all phases by MAJ(P) Mike Ryan, a graduate of the Air Assault School formerly conducted by 2<sup>nd</sup> Armored Division's 1st Cavalry Regiment.

Students who volunteer for Pre-Air Assault training participate in high intensity PT sessions consisting of calisthenics, rope climbs, and guerilla drills. They also make two weekend trips to Fort Pickett, Virginia where they try their hand at Fort Pickett's new confidence course. The Fort Pickett course was recently constructed to support Mobile Training Team Air Assault Courses, so it contains all of the obstacles found at Fort Campbell's Air Assault School.

Road marching is another integral part of preparing for the Air Assault course, so CW2 Walls and MAJ(P) Ryan lead the candidates on a series of road marches which begin with a 2-mile familiarization march and culminate with a 12-mile road march that must be completed in 3 hours or less with a

rucksack weighing at least 30 pounds. During the 166<sup>th</sup> JAOBC, twenty students participated in the program, and all completed the 12-mile road march in three hours or less. One candidate, 1LT Travis Elms, led the way for the 166th with an amazing 12-mile time of 1 hour and 57 minutes.

Post-JAOBC Air Assault slots are limited, so the program is competitive. As candidates progress through the training, they are awarded points for their performance. At the conclusion of the training, students with the highest scores receive one of the available Air Assault slots. Three soldiers were awarded following the 166th JAOBC. All three Soldiers attended Air Assault School at Fort Campbell, Kentucky, and all three graduated with flying colors.



*"The aim of military training is not just to prepare men for battle, but to make them long for it."*

*Louis Simpson*



#### Did you know...

The Army Air Assault Course is 10 days long and teaches soldiers a number of special skills, including basic air traffic control, sling load operations, and helicopter rappelling. For more information visit the Air Assault School home page: [www.Campbell.Army.mil/aas/air\\_assault\\_school.htm](http://www.Campbell.Army.mil/aas/air_assault_school.htm)

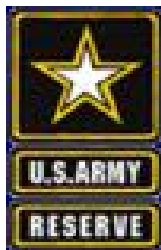
Members of the 166th OBC complete a grueling road march in preparation for the Air Assault Course. Pictured from left to right: Kneeling: Left to Right, 1LT Howard, 1LT Latino, 1LT Elms, 1LT Diefenderfer, 1LT Riesenberg, 1LT Dunmire, 1LT Elmore, PFC Pyburn; Standing: Left to Right, CW2 Walls, 1LT Sykes, 1LT Kornegay, 1LT Grady, 1LT Wey, 1LT Kornacki, 1LT Seale, 1LT Greene, 1LT Dunmire, 1LT Gall, MAJ(P) Ryan

## RESERVE AND NATIONAL GUARD AFFAIRS

### Reserve Component JAs Selected for Leadership Positions

Please join the JAG Corps in congratulating the following Judge Advocate Officers who were selected as Legal Support Organization (LSO) Commanders:

- COL Elena Kusky, 87th LSO.
- COL Thomas P. Molloy, 6th LSO.
- COL Lynnette Z. Boyle, 153rd LSO.
- COL David L. Shakes, 150th LSO.
- COL Roger Matzkind, 75th LSO.
- COL Gill P. Beck, 12th LSO.
- COL Ronald C. Riley, 91st LSO.
- COL Margaret McDevitt, 8th LSO.
- LTC(P) John Harms, 151st LSO.
- LTC Gerald E. Wuetcher, 139th LSO.
- LTC Marcus Brinks, 174th LSO.



Please join us in congratulating the following Judge Advocates who were selected for Staff Judge Advocate Positions:

- COL Kenneth Rye, SJA, 1215th GSU
- COL Dwight Lewis, SJA, 95th Division (Institutional Training)
- COL Ralph Allen, SJA, 4003rd GSU
- COL Michael L. Carmin, SJA, 8th U.S. Army (CONUS)
- COL Leanne Burch, SJA, 4013th GSU
- LTC(P) Earl Gee, SJA, 80th Division (Institutional Training)
- LTC(P) Sophia L. Rafatjah, SJA, 9th RRC
- MAJ Lance Casey, SJA, 88th RRG

*"Army Reserve Soldiers are either deployed, preparing to deploy, or returning from deployment...our Soldiers know that their service involves sacrifice. Any success attributed to the Army Reserve in the Global War on Terror is due to our Soldiers' sacrifice and courage, both at home and abroad."*

LTG James R. Helmly, Chief, Army Reserve, Commanding General, U.S. Army Reserve Command



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#### *Did you know...*

U.S. Army Reserve Command is Headquartered at Fort McPherson, GA. Fort McPherson is located in downtown Atlanta, Georgia.



## Family Matters

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The Legal Center & School Family Readiness Group hosted a presentation on 18 April 05 featuring LTC(P) Chris O'Brien from the 1st Cavalry Division (above left), LTC(P) Flora Darpino, who deployed with the 4th Infantry Division (above left), and Major & Mrs. Dean Whitford. MAJ Whitford is assigned to the 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division; his unit is scheduled to deploy to Afghanistan soon.

### HELPFUL FAMILY-ORIENTED WEBSITES:

Army Family Team Building: <http://www.armyfamilyteambuilding.org/skins/AFTB/homelogin.aspx>

Today's Military: <http://www.todaysmilitary.com/index.php>

Army One Source: <http://www.armyonesource.com/>

### Family Member Accounts & FRG Support (available now)

Did you know that family members can be sponsored for AKO accounts? AKO already has over 100,000 family member accounts, and we encourage every family member to take advantage of all that AKO has to offer. When your family members sign up for AKO accounts, they automatically receive:

- secure email access with 50 MB storage
- secure IM & Chat
- secure online storage for files & photos (50 MB)
- and more - for details, take

a look at <https://www.us.army.mil/suite/doc/1372131> "AKO family member tutorial"

[suite/doc/1666726&inline=true](https://www.us.army.mil/suite/doc/1666726&inline=true) "Virtual Team Guide."

Family Readiness Group participants & leaders - learn how to use AKO to set up an online FRG! Using standard AKO features, you can publicize events on an online calendar, sponsor discussions, and email all members of the FRG. For an example of an FRG on AKO, check out "<https://www.us.army.mil/suite/page/136616>" 52nd Signal Battalion FRG. To create an online FRG today, download "<https://www.us.army.mil/>

